

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 899

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Denise Holt on her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.6 million Tennessee volunteers give over 137 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.3 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by donating their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, Denise Holt of Cocke County is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, a second-year Community Cares AmeriCorps member, Ms. Holt maintains the continued ability to provide direct independent living services to the disabled and elderly residents at Newport Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Holt understands the needs of her residents and exceeds expectations through her exceptional care; if she is not shopping for her residents, Ms. Holt will take her residents to the store and help them shop; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Holt demonstrates remarkable patience and dedication to her residents, consistently going out of her way to make her residents feel important—regardless of their circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Holt is a model citizen; her commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor Denise Holt for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.